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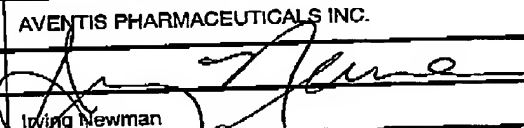
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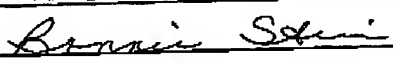
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In re Application of

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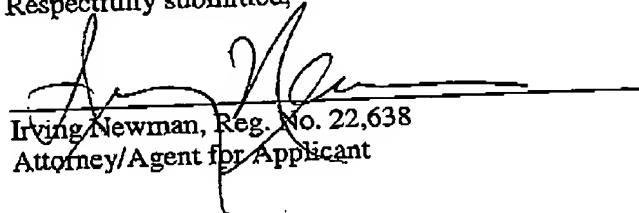
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In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the unnumbered paper mailed December 14, 2004, in the above-identified application, applicants elect Group II, claims 1-4 in part, drawn to NON-heterocyclic derivatives and method of using said compounds as claimed in claims 5-8 in part. As requested by the Examiner for search purposes, Applicants further elect the single disclosed species of Example 1, methyl 2-chloromethyl-6-methylbenzoate.

Prompt, favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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